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In re application of

Docket No: Q79263

Hirokazu KAMEYAMA, et al.

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For: METHOD, APPARATUS, AND PROGRAM FOR MOVING IMAGE SYNTHESIS

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated February 13, 2008. The Reasons for Allowance merely loosely paraphrase claim 1-3, 6, 9, 10-16, 21, 22, 27-34, 35, 36, 41, 42, and 47-50, and therefore do not accurately restate the claimed invention. Further, the statement relative to the teachings of Nakazawa do not accurately track the language of each independent claim. Finally, the claim amendments submitted December 14, 2007 are not reflected in the Examiner's Statement. Applicant respectfully submits that the independent claims of the instant invention are patentable for reasons other than those noted in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in the "Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain

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Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed,” 1247OG111 (6/26/01), “a response to the examiner’s reasons for allowance” is an example of a paper that does “not cause substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process” and is “not considered a ‘failure to engage in reasonable efforts’ to conclude processing or examination of the application.”

Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated February 13, 2008.

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